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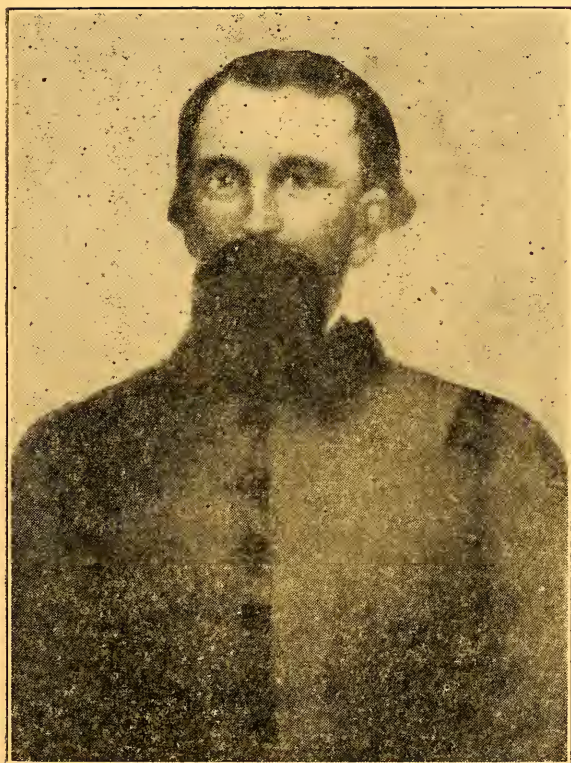
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INTRODUCTION

This little sketch has been prepared by a committee of the survivors of Co. E, 20th N. C. Regiment, at the request of the survivors of the company.

To B. B. Carr, mainly, is due the credit of its preparation. To his retentive memory and his unwearied efforts in obtaining information from members of the company and from other sources, is due the completeness and correctness of this sketch.

It is published with the desire to preserve to future generations a record, though incomplete, of the services of this company in defense of what they believed to be their rights.

The lapse of time and the removal—by death, disability and capture—of so many members of the original company from the active scene of operations has prevented the obtaining of information as full as desired of the services of the company during the latter part of the war.

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HISTORY OF COMPANY E, 20TH N. C. REGIMENT

CONFEDERATE GREYS

Among the first troops that offered their services to the Governor of the State of North Carolina, was a company composed largely of the students of Franklin Military Institute, situated six miles east of Faison, of which institute C. B. Denson was the principal.

This company was organized at Faison on the 16th day of April, 1861, and elected C. B. Denson, Captain; R. P. James, 1st Lieutenant; L. T. Hicks, 2nd Lieutenant; and L. W. Hodges, 3rd Lieutenant, and was called the "Confederate Greys."

This company went in camp at Franklin Institute, and was quickly recruited to its full quota from the young men of the surrounding community, and was drilled in a regular course of military tactics. During this time the ladies in the vicinity of Franklin and Faison with patriotic zeal labored in the school building early and late to equip the company with uniforms, underwear, blankets, and camp equipage without cost to the State, the funds to supply the same being donated by the citizens of the Franklin and Faison communities. The farmers of the communities furnished provisions to the soldiers in camp while they were being drilled and disciplined to the stern realities of the life of a soldier.

About the first of May the Company received orders for active duty. Camp was struck and amid many sad farewells, tears and cheers, the company boarded the cars at Faison and was transported to Fort Johnston, Smithville, N. C., now known as Southport, at the mouth of the Cape Fear river, below Wilmington, N. C.

About the 20th day of June, 1861, this Company and other companies stationed at Fort Johnston and other

points about the mouth of the Cape Fear river, and consisting of one company from Brunswick county, two companies from Cabarrus county, three companies from Sampson county, and three companies from Columbus county, were organized into the 10th N. C. Regiment of Volunteers, afterwards changed into the 20th N. C. Regiment of State Troops. The field officers of this Regiment were Col. Alfred Iverson, of former officer of the regular army of the U. S., Lieutenant Col. Frank J. Faison, and Maj. Wm. H. Toon, Columbus Co.

The "Confederate Greys" was known as Co. E after the Regimental organization.

The company spent the first year of the war garrisoning different points from Wilmington to the mouth of the Cape Fear river.

About the middle of June, 1862, the 20th N. C. Regiment, of which this company was a part, was ordered to Richmond, Va., and assigned to Gen. Garland's Brigade of Gen. D. H. Hill's division, and assisted Gen. Lee in forcing Gen. McClellan from the front of Richmond, and was ever afterwards a part of, and following the fortunes of Gen. Lee's army.

During the first year of the war two members of the company, Geo. L. Kornegay and John K. Flowers, died from pneumonia.

During the spring of 1862 the Confederate Congress passed the Conscript Act, retaining all the regiments then organized during the war, but discharging all the men over thirty-five years old after they had served an additional three months. There were five men only in this company entitled to discharge under this Act.

The Seven Days Battle around Richmond was over before the expiration of their term of service, and it is sad to relate that only one, Marshall Branch, remained to claim his discharge. Of the others, Archibald Dail was in hospital in Richmond with a shattered knee, a wound received in battle at Cold Harbor, June 27, 1862, and for disability on account of this wound he was honorably discharged, and not on account of his age. Isaac Barfield, Theophilus Barfield and Riley Tew were all killed in battle at Malvern Hill, July 1, 1862.

The 20th Regiment arrived in Richmond from North Carolina on the 17th of June, 1862, and went into camp on the Charles City road in front of Richmond.

The Regiment was engaged in a severe skirmish with the enemies' pickets on this road, and Geo. F. Kornegay and John L. Tew of Co. E. both received slight wounds in this skirmish.

On the morning of the 26th of June, 1862 Gen. D. H. Hill's division, of which Co. E. and the 20th Regiment was a part, broke camp on the Charles City road in the advance of Gen. Lee's army against Gen. McClellan, which precipitated the Seven Days Battle around Richmond, and was engaged in the battle of Mechanicsville on the evening of the 26th of June. On the evening of the next day, the 27th of June, it was engaged in the battle of Cold Harbor. In this battle the 20th Regiment charged and captured a section of artillery that was supported by Gen. Sykes' Regulars of the U. S. army. Gen. Garland said the capture of those guns was the turning point of the battle, and gave the victory to the Confederate forces.

Co. E. of the 20th Regiment lost heavily in this charge. Thomas M. McIntyre, James D. Winders, A. S. Parker and Marshall Flowers were killed on the battle field. Willis Cherry and Bryant Southerland died in hospital, and John D. Shine and Cicero Rogers died after reaching home—all from wounds received in this charge. Thomas B. Wright lost an arm. Peter Davis lost part of his hand. Archie Dail had his knee shattered. Ivey Baker was badly wounded in the foot, and all were discharged on account of disability from wounds.

The company in that battle sustained a permanent loss of twelve men. Eight or ten more were wounded, but recovered and returned to duty. Lieutenant Col. Frank J. Faison was killed in this battle, and Col. Alfred Iverson was slightly wounded.

The company carried into this battle 60 men, and had a permanent loss of twelve men, one fifth of the entire number.

This battle was on Friday evening. On the following Tuesday, Co. E with the balance of the Regiment, was

engaged in the battle of Malvern Hill. Isaac Barfield, Theophilus Barfield, Riley Tew and E. J. Winders were killed in this battle, and James Whitfield died after reaching home from wounds received. Thos. M. Faison and John H. Edwards were assigned to light duty from disability on account of wounds received in this battle, making a permanent loss of seven men to the company, about one fifth of those of the company present at the battle. In addition, six others were wounded but afterwards returned to duty.

Co. E. of the 20th Regiment, during what is known as the "seven days fight" around Richmond, Va., had 13 members killed or mortally wounded and 6 members permanently disabled, making a permanent loss of 19 men — over 30 per cent. of the number of the company engaged. The balance of the Regiment lost in about the same proportion.

This company with the 20th Regiment was encamped near Richmond for several weeks after the seven days battle, and had a great deal of sickness from a very malignant type of camp fever. There were carried from the camp and battle field to the hospitals in Richmond sick from fever William Bason, Lewis Bradshaw, John H. Carr, William B. Cogdell, Robert Kornegay, Benjamin Philips, John A. Swinson, Frank Swinson and John Wright—all of whom died. In addition there were several in hospital sick from fever who eventually recovered and returned to duty.

The company with the command broke camp at Richmond and marched to Manassas, arriving there just at the close of the second battle of Manassas.

The command then crossed the Potomac river at Falling Waters, and was engaged in the battle at South Mountain in checking Gen. McClellan while Gen. Jackson was capturing Harper's Ferry. This battle was on the 14th of September, 1862. In this battle John Davis was killed and David Wilson was wounded, and died from the effects of the wound after reaching home.

On the 17th day of September, 1862, Co. E. participated in the Battle of Sharpsburg. Several of its members were wounded in this battle, but all recovered and re-

turned to duty. After the Battle of Sharpsburg, Gen. Lee's army re-crossed the Potomac river and remained in camp in the valley of Virginia for some weeks.

After a series of marches and manoeuvres in which Co. E, and the 20th Regiment participated, Gen Lee's army and the Northern army finally faced each other in battle at Fredericksburg, Va., December 13th, 1862. The company was present at this battle, but was not actively engaged, the command being held in reserve. The Regiment, however, sustained slight loss.

After the Battle of Fredericksburg, Gen. Lee's army went into winter quarters on the Rappahannock river, and remained comparatively quiet until the spring.

During the winter the company lost two men from sickness, Needham Brock and Henry Galloway.

The following is the muster roll of all those who had been, or were, members of the company until this time, April, 1863:

Captain, Denson, Claudius B., Duplin County.

Elected Captain at organization of the company, April 16th, 1861. In April, 1862, transferred to Engineer Corps, Army of Northern Virginia.

Captain, Hicks, Lewis T., Duplin County.

Elected 2nd Lieutenant of company at organization, April 16th, 1861. Elected Captain at re-organization, April 1862. Captured at Gettysburg, July 1st, 1863. In prison at Johnson's Island, Ohio. Paroled and returned to Richmond, March 1865.

Chaplain, Sprunt, James M., D. D., born Perth, Scotland, January 14, 1818. Enlisted from Duplin County, N. C., April 16th, 1861. Served until near close of war, was paroled due to poor health.

1st Lieutenant, James, R. Pryor, Duplin County.

Elected 1st Lieutenant at organization, April 16th, 1861. Appointed Adj. of Regiment at organization, June 1861. Resigned, November, 1862.

1st Lieutenant, Hicks, A. Doane, Duplin County.

Elected 1st Lieutenant at re-organization,

April, 1862. Slightly wounded at Chancellorsville, May, 1863. Captured at Gettysburg, July 1st, 1863. In prison at Johnson's Island. Paroled and returned to Richmond, last of March, 1865.

2nd Lieutenant, Hodges, Lemuel W., Duplin County.

Elected 2nd Lieutenant of Company at organization, April 16th, 1861. Resigned, July, 1861. Afterwards Collector of Tithes for the Confederate Government.

2nd Lieutenant, Cogdell, Daniel A., Wayne County.

Promoted July, 1861, to 2nd Lieutenant. April, 1862, Captain Co. D, 67th N. C. Regiment. Resigned afterwards.

2nd Lieutenant, Ireland, J. Frank, Sampson County.

Promoted to 2nd Lieutenant, April, 1862. Appointed Adjt. of Regiment Oct. 1862. Promoted to Captain Co. D, 20th N. C. Regiment, Oct. 1863.

2nd Lieutenant, Oliver, Joseph B., Duplin County.

Promoted from Sergt. Maj. of 20th Regiment to 2nd Lieutenant Co. E, Oct. 1862. Captured at Gettysburg, July 1st, 1863. In prison at Johnson's Island, Ohio. Paroled and returned to Richmond, Va., last of March, 1865.

2nd Lieutenant, Grimes, H., Duplin County.

Elected 2nd Lieutenant at re-organization, April, 1862. Resigned, October, 1862. Transferred to Pioneer corps.

Sergeant, Baker, Henry, Wayne County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Captured at South Mountain. Wounded at Gettysburg.

Sergeant, Blalock, John H., Duplin County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Captured at Harper's Ferry, July 4th, 1864. In prison until close of war.

Sergeant, Broadhurst, Geo. W., Duplin County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Discharged for disability, Jan. 1862. Afterwards in Tithe Department.

Sergeant, Carr, John H., Duplin County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Died in hospital, July, 1862.

Sergeant, Carr, Benjamin B., Duplin County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Wounded at Cold Harbor. Wounded and captured at South Mountain. Wounded and captured at Gettysburg. Exchanged and placed on light duty in Com. Dept. Discharged on account of disability, February, 1865.

Sergeant, Cogdell, Marion, Wayne County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Died of wounds received at Gettysburg.

Sergeant, Edwards, John H., Wayne County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Wounded at Malvern Hill. Placed on light duty in Quartermaster's Department.

Sergeant, Flowers, Marshall, Sampson County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Killed at Cold Harbor.

Sergeant, Millard, Bryant J., Duplin County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Wounded at Chancellorsville. Captured at Fort Steadman, March 25, 1865. In prison until close of war.

Sergeant, Swinson, John A., Duplin County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Died in hospital, July, 1862.

Sergeant, Winders, Noah, Duplin County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Wounded at Chancellorsville. Wounded at Strawsburg. Captured at Fort Steadman, March 25, 1865. In prison until close of war.

Corporal, Cherry, Willis D., Duplin County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Died in hospital of wounds received at Cold Harbor.

Corporal, Bennett, Richard, Duplin County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Killed at Gettysburg.

Corporal, Flowers, John K., Sampson County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Died in May, 1862.

Corporal, Hill, Lewis H., Duplin County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Captured at Gettysburg. Exchanged. Captured at Fort Stead-

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man, March 25, 1865. In prison until close of war.

Corporal, Kornegay, Geo. F., Duplin County. .

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Wounded in skirmish, June, 1862. Wounded at Chancellorsville. Captured at Gettysburg. In prison until close of war.

Corporal, Parker, A. S., Sampson County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Killed at Cold Harbor.

Corporal, Wright, Thomas B., Duplin County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Lost an arm at Cold Harbor. Discharged.

Drummer, Millard, Kenan, Wayne County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Captured Oct. 1864. In prison until close of war.

Private, Baison, William, Duplin County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Died in hospital August, 1862.

Private, Barfield, Isaac, Duplin County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Killed at Malvern Hill.

Private, Barfield, Theophilus, Duplin County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Killed at Malvern Hill.

Private, Barfield, William, Duplin County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Wounded at Spottsylvania. Captured at Fort Steadman. In prison until close of war.

Private, Baker, Ivey, Greene County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Wounded at Cold Harbor. Discharged.

Private, Baker, Jesse, Greene County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Killed at Gettysburg.

Private, Bradshaw, Lewis J., Sampson County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Died in hospital, August, 1862.

Private, Benton, William Wayne County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Color Sergeant Aug. 1864. Killed at Strawsburg, Sept. 1864.

- Private, Blalock, David, Duplin County.
Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Ensign of Regt.
Killed May, 1864.
- Private, Broadhurst, W. G., Wayne County.
Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Transferred to
Cavalry. Wounded in October, 1864.
- Private, Broadhurst, David J., Wayne County.
Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Sergt.-Maj. Regt.
Promoted March 1st, 1863 to Captain Co. K.
Lost hand at Chancellorsville. Wounded at
Cold Harbor.
- Private, Broadhurst, Thomas W., Wayne County.
Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Sergt.-Maj. Regt.
Captured at Gettysburg. In prison until close
of war.
- Private, Brock, Needham, Duplin County.
Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Died Nov. 1862.
- Private, Brock, Chas., Duplin County.
Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Wounded at Cold
Harbor. Captured at Gettysburg. In prison
until close of war.
- Private, Brock, Jonah, Duplin County.
Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Killed at Winches-
ter, Sept. 1864.
- Private, Branch, Marshall, Duplin County.
Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Discharged. After-
wards joined 68th Regiment.
- Private, Branch, Reuben, Duplin County.
Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Wounded and cap-
tured at Gettysburg. In prison until close of
war.
- Private, Burnham, John F., Duplin County.
Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Captured at Cold
Harbor. Captured at Gettysburg. Exchanged
and returned to duty. Wounded at Wilderness,
1864.
- Private, Byrd, Henry, Duplin County.
Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Killed at the Wild-
erness, May, 1864.
- Private, Carr, Robert D., Duplin County.
Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Sergt.-Maj. of Regt.

from July, 1863. Wounded at Winchester, Sept. 1864. Killed at Fort Steadman, March 25, 1865.

Private, Cherry, E. J., Duplin County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Wounded at Chancellorsville.

Private, Cowley, Stephen, Portsmouth, Va.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Promoted to assistant Adj.-Gen. to Gen. Quarles, Army of Tennessee. Killed at Franklin, Tenn., 1862.

Private, Cogdell, William B., Wayne County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Died in hospital 1862.

Private, Cogdell, John A., Wayne County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Wounded at Malvern Hill. Captured at Gettysburg. In prison until close of war.

Private, Davis, Peter, Duplin County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Wounded at Cold Harbor. Discharged.

Private, Davis, John, Duplin County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Transferred to Co. A, of 20th Regt. Killed at South Mountain.

Private, Dail, Archie, Duplin County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Wounded at Cold Harbor and discharged. Afterwards served on Provost Guard in Goldsboro.

Private, Denson, Joseph E., Portsmouth, Va.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Discharged for disability.

Private, Dobson, Daniel B., Duplin County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861.

Private, Faison, Thos. M., Sampson County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Wounded at Cold Harbor. Placed on light duty in Q. M. Dept. Paroled at Appomattox.

Private, Flowers, Robt. B., Sampson County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Discharged.

Private, Galloway, Henry, Brunswick County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Died Oct. 1862.

Private, Grant, Stafford, Duplin County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861.

Private, Grant, Jackson, Duplin County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Captured at Gettysburg. In prison until close of war.

Private, Giddens, Lewis, Sampson County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Transferred to band of Regiment, 1861.

Private, Hicks, E. Faison, Duplin County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Wounded at Chancellorsville. Wounded at Spottsylvania. Wounded at Winchester. Wounded at Strawsburg. Transferred to Co. C, 5th Cavalry.

Private, Hicks, John M., Duplin County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Discharged for disability.

Private, Hicks, John H., Duplin County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Promoted to Surgeon of Regt., 1862.

Private, Huggins, James H., Duplin County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Regimental Quartermaster Sergeant. Promoted to Lieutenant of Co. I, Jan., 1863. Captured at Gettysburg. In prison at Johnson's Island. Paroled and returned to Richmond last of March, 1865.

Private, Huggins, W. Henry, Duplin County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Wounded at Winchester. Placed on light duty in Q. M. Dept. Paroled at Appomattox.

Private, Ireland, James D., Sampson County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Wounded at Gettysburg. Placed on light duty as Brigade Postmaster. Paroled at Appomattox.

Private, Jernigan, Geo., Duplin County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Detailed on Corps Provost Guard. Captured May, 1864. Died in prison.

Private, King, William B., Sampson County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Promoted to Lieutenant, Co. I.

Private, Kellit, James, Duplin County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Wounded at Cold Harbor. Wounded at Chancellorsville and discharged.

Private, Kellit, John, Duplin County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Wounded at Chancellorsville. Wounded at Hatcher's Run, Feb., 1865.

Private, Kornegay, Joseph H., Duplin County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Wounded at Gettysburg and placed on light duty in hospital in Petersburg.

Private, Kornegay, Robert, Wayne County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Died August, 1862.

Private, Lambert, Henry, Duplin County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Wounded at Cold Harbor.

Private, Lane, John B., Sampson County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Transferred to Regt. Hospital Corps.

Private, Lane, Jesse W., Sampson County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Transferred to Regt. Band, 1861.

Private, Loftin, Major, Wayne County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Discharged. Afterwards served in cavalry.

Private, Martin, Giles, Duplin County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Sharp shooting corps. Wounded and captured at Gettysburg. Paroled and returned to duty.

Private, McIntyre, Thos. M., New Hanover County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Killed at Cold Harbor. The first member of the Company killed in battle.

Private, Outlaw, Alex., Duplin County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Wounded and captured at Gettysburg. Exchanged. Paroled and returned to Appomattox.

Private, Padgett, James M., Duplin County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Wounded at Malvern Hill. Wounded at Chancellorsville. Discharged for disability.

Private, Price, Dallas, Duplin County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Wounded at Gettysburg. Placed on light duty with Regt. hospi-

tal corps. Paroled at Appomattox.

Private, Phillips, Benjamin, Duplin County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Died in Hospital, Sept., 1862.

Private, Pollock, David, Wayne County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Transferred as mechanic to Ordinance Dept., in Richmond.

Private, Rogers, Henry, Duplin County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861.

Private, Rogers, Cicero, Duplin County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Died of wounds received at Cold Harbor.

Private, Shines, John D., Duplin County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Ensign of Regt. Died of wounds received at Cold Harbor.

Private, Swinson, Erasmus, Duplin County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Discharged for disability. Afterwards served in 5th Cavalry.

Private, Swinson, B. Frank, Duplin County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Died in hospital, 1862.

Private, Southerland, Bryant, Duplin County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Died of wounds received at Cold Harbor.

Private, Tew, Riley, Wayne County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Killed at Malvern Hill.

Private, Tew, Ashley, Wayne County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Killed at Gettysburg.

Private, Tew, John L., Wayne County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Wounded in skirmish, June, 1862. Wounded at Gettysburg. Exchanged. Placed on light duty in Conscript Department.

Private, Wallace, Geo. W., Duplin County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Wounded at Chancellorsville. Wounded at the Wilderness, May, 1864.

Private, Wallace, Thos., Duplin County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Died in hospital, April, 1863.

Private, Watkins, Jesse F., Duplin County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Regt. hospital corps.
Paroled at Appomattox.

Private, Williams, Geo. W., Wayne County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Regimental hospital
steward.

Private, Williams, Jesse P., Wayne County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Promoted in 1862 to
Captain in 55th Regt. Resigned. In 1863 to
Captain 68th Regt.

Private, Wilson, David, Duplin County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Died of wounds re-
ceived at South Mountain.

Private, Winders, James D., Duplin County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Killed at Cold Har-
bor.

Private, Winders, Edward J., Duplin County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Killed at Malvern
Hill.

Private, Winders, William, Duplin County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Discharged for dis-
ability in 1863.

Private, Whitfield, James, Wayne County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Died of wounds re-
ceived at Malvern Hill.

Private, Wright, John, Duplin County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Died in hospital,
July, 1862.

Private, Watson, John L., Duplin County.

Enlisted April 16th, 1861. Discharged for dis-
ability, January, 1862.

In addition to these, while in camp near Fredericks-
burg in February, 1863, six men from Lincoln and Ca-
tawba counties who became subject to the Conscript Act
when it was extended to men up to 45 years of age, were
sent as recruits to the Company. They were as follows:
Private, Boyd, Wilburn.

Conscripted Feb., 1863. Wounded at Chancel-
lorsville. Served to close of war.

Private, Campbell, Weasly.

Conscripted Feb., 1863. Lost arm at Gettys-

burg. Honorably discharged.

Private, Berry, James.

Conscripted Feb., 1863. Transferred to 23rd Regiment, same Brigade, from which he had been formerly discharged.

Private, Link, Henry.

Conscripted Feb., 1863. In battle of Chancellorsville. Afterwards detailed as teamster.

Private, Seigle, Caleb.

Conscripted Feb., 1863. In battle of Chancellorsville. Afterwards detailed as teamster. Died in hospital at Danville, Va.

Private, Star, J. C.

Conscripted Feb., 1863. Captured at Gettysburg. Died in prison.

Also at the same time three men from Tyrell County that had been picked up on a raid within the Federal lines were sent to the Company. They were as follows:

Davenport, Chas.

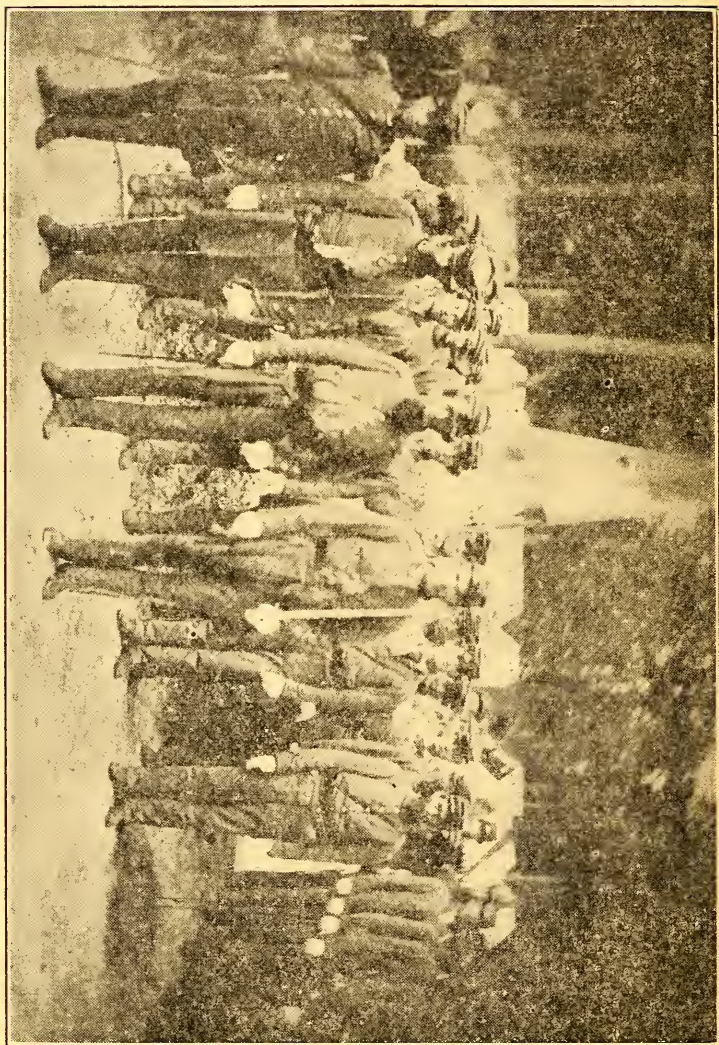
Conscripted Feb., 1863. A good soldier. Participated in Chancellorsville and Gettysburg campaigns. Captured at Gettysburg and in prison until near close of war.

Basknight, R. H.

Conscripted Feb., 1863. Deserted to the Yankees.

Basknight, —————.

Conscripted Feb., 1863. Deserted to the Yankees.



COMPANY E, 20TH N. C. REGIMENT CONFEDERATE GREYS, YEAR OF 1861.

The Company remained in camp near Fredericksburg until Gen. Hooker, Commander of the Federal Army, commenced his "On to Richmond" campaign by crossing the Rappahannock river near Fredericksburg. Gen. Rhodes, then in command of the old Gen. D. H. Hill division, went in line of battle near Hamilton's crossing and remained in front of the enemy for two days. Gen. Hooker having in the meantime thrown the bulk of his army across the Rappahannock on Gen. Lee's left flank, Gen. Rhodes' division (of which this company was part) was withdrawn and moved up towards Chancellorsville. The company participated in Jackson's march to the rear of Hooker's army, and was a part of the attacking forces on the evening of May 2nd and the morning of May 3rd. The company had in this battle ten or twelve wounded, but none killed, but James Padgett and James Killet were so badly wounded that they were discharged, and D. J. Broadhurst—then Captain of Co. K—lost his right hand.

The company was next in the Gettysburg campaign and was a part of Gen. Rhodes' division that drove Gen. Milroy's forces from Berryville and Martinburg out of the valley. It then crossed the Potomac into Williamsport for the second time, the Brigade to which this company belonged being the first to enter Maryland and also Pennsylvania, then back to Gettysburg and was engaged in the first day's fight and lost four men, killed i. e. Marion Cogdell, Richard Bennett, Jesse Baker and Ashley Tew. Weasly Campbell, James D. Ireland, Joseph H. Kornegay, Dallas Price, John L. Tew and B. B. Carr were so severely wounded that they were either discharged or placed on light duty. Giles Martin and Reuben Branch were also severely wounded, and every one of the thirty members of the company then present that went into the fight were either killed, wounded or captured except William Barfield and he went in with the sharp shooters and not with the regular lines. Only nine were captured unhurt. Capt. L. T. Hicks and Lieuts. A. D. Hicks and J. B. Oliver were captured and remained in prison until near the close of the war, and the company was out of a commissioned officer until the

close of the war.

The 23rd, 20th, and 5th Regiments of Iverson's Brigade in this battle were nearly all killed, wounded or captured. Of the 20th Regiment every officer, 24 being present, were killed, wounded or captured. So far as known, every officer, about 250 in the Regiment, that went into line of battle were killed, wounded or captured. Only sixteen men of the 20th Regiment, commanded by one Lieutenant, J. F. Ireland, marched away from Gettysburg. Lieutenant Ireland and a portion of these sixteen men reached Gettysburg after the first day's fighting. The remainder were members of the skirmish corps who escaped.

Iverson's Brigade was uselessly sacrificed. Gen. Ewell, in his report said, "The left of Iverson's Brigade was thus exposed, but these gallant troops obstinately stood their ground until the greater part of three regiments (5th, 20th and 23rd) had fallen where they stood in line of battle. A few of them, being entirely surrounded, were taken prisoners. A few escaped."

Gen. Rhodes officially reported of Iverson's Brigade: "His men fought and died like heroes. His dead lay in a distinctly marked line of battle. His left was overpowered and many of his men, being surrounded, were captured."

The Brigade Commander, Gen. Alfred Iverson, did not go into the battle, and was relieved of his command.

The next severe campaign was in May, 1864, at the Wilderness, Spottsylvania, and on in front of Gen. Grant's army to the Second Cold Harbor—one of the roughest campaigns that Gen. Lee's army ever experienced. The Company lost in that campaign, David Blalock and Henry Byrd killed, and several wounded.

The regiment of which this company was a part was highly spoken of for its action on May 15th, 1864, by Gen. Lee. This is what he said:

Headquarters Army Northern Virginia, May 16, 1864.
Sir:—

Yesterday evening the enemy penetrated a part of our line and planted his colors upon the temporary breastworks erected by our troops. He was immediately re-

pulsed, and among the brave men who met him, the 20th North Carolina, under Col. T. F. Toon, of the brigade commanded by Gen. R. D. Johnson, captured his flag. It was brought to me by Major John S. Brooks of that Regiment who received his promotion for gallantry in the battle of Chancellorsville, with the request that it be given to Governor Vance. I take great pleasure in complying with the wish of the gallant captors, and respectfully ask that it be granted, and that these colors be presented to the State of North Carolina as another evidence of the valor and devotion that have made her name eminent in the armies of the Confederacy.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

R. E. LEE, General.

Hon. Secretary of War, Richmond, Va.

About the middle of June, 1864, Gen. Early was detached from Gen. Lee's army, and sent on the famous Early and Sheridan Valley Campaign. The company was a part of Gen. Early's troops that was at Harper's Ferry on July 4, 1864, and captured and enjoyed the Federal's Fourth of July dinner. From there across the Potomac at Williamsport into Maryland for the third time, and assisted in defeating Gen. Lew Wallace at Monocacy Bridge, then on towards Washington City near enough to see the dome of the capitol, thence back across the Potomac river into the valley, and participated in the battles of Winchester, Strawsburg, Cedar Mountain and other battles of that noted campaign. The company lost in that campaign, two men killed, William Benton (then ensign of Regiment) and Jonah Brock, besides several wounded and two or three captured.

The company was a part of the "thin line" of North Carolina moving off in retreat that Gen. Bradley T. Johnson saw at Winchester on the 19th day of September, 1864, and went to its assistance. He gives a thrilling account of what he witnessed:

"There was not a fence, nor a house, nor a bush, nor a tree to obscure the view. Away off, more than two miles, we could see the crest of the hill covered with thousands of Yankee cavalry, and five hundred yards in front of them was a thin grey line moving off in re-

treat, solidly and with perfect coolness and self possession. As soon as I got to realize what was going on, I quickened our gait and when within a mile broke into a gallop. The scene was as plain as day. A regiment of cavalry would deploy into line, their bugles would sound a charge, and they would swoop down on the thin grey line of North Carolinians. The instant the Yankee bugle would sound, North Carolina would halt, face to the rear rank, wait until the horses got within one hundred yards and then fire as deliberately and coolly as firing volleys on parade drill. The cavalry would break and scamper back and North Carolina would 'about face' and continue her march in retreat as solemnly, stubbornly and with as much dignity and discipline as if marching in review. But we got there just in time. Cavalry aids the Tar Heels. Certainly half a dozen charges had been made at the thin grey line in retreat, and each and every time the charging squadrons had been driven back, when the enemy sent his line with a rush at the Brigade of Tar Heels and one squadron overlapped the infantry line and was just passing it as we got up. In another minute they would have been behind the lines, sabering the men from the rear, while they were held by the fight in front; but we struck a headlong strain and went through the Yankees by the flank of North Carolina, and carried their adversaries back to the crest of the hill, back through the guns to their battery, clear back to the infantry lines. In a moment they were charging us in front and on both flanks and back we went in a hurry, but the thin grey line of old North Carolina was safe. They had gotten back to the rest of the infantry and formed a line at right angles to the pike west of Winchester."

About the time Gen. Early's command left the valley to rejoin Gen. Lee at Petersburg, twelve men from Wayne County that had heretofore been exempt from military duty were sent to recruit the Company. They were John B. Bowden, James Grady, Geo. W. Kornegay, C. F. R. Kornegay, John H. Loftin, John C. Price, Oliver Summerlin, Nergil Walker, James Williams, H. J. Williamson, Charles Denning and Addison Fields.

The Company lay in the trenches around Petersburg and was engaged in the battle of Harper's Run on the 5th day of February, 1865, and sustained some loss from wounds. About all of the last named recruits were engaged in that battle.

In a short time the company with the balance of the Brigade was sent to guard the Roanoke river, but was soon ordered back to Petersburg to participate in the assault on Fort Steadman or Hare's Hill on the 25th day of March, 1865. In this battle R. D. Carr was killed, (the last member of the company to be killed in line of battle) and nearly all the balance were captured, and what was left of the company followed the fortune of Gen. Lee's army to the surrender at Appomattox.

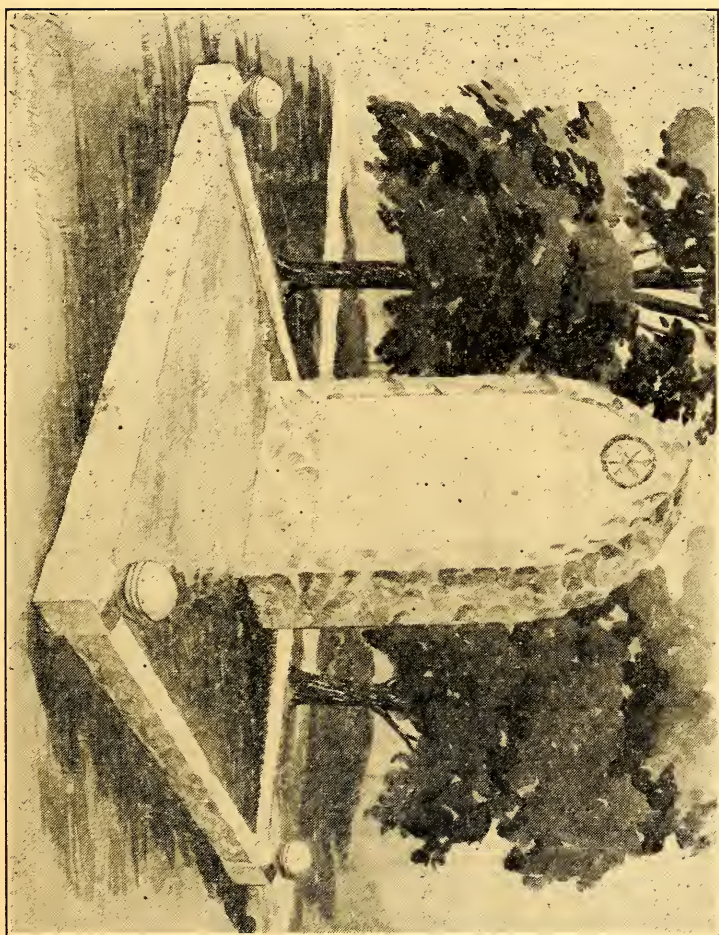
The parole list is: T. M. Faison, W. H. Huggins, J. D. Ireland, Alex. Outlaw, Dallas Price and Jesse F. Watkins.

There were only nine guns in the regiment at Appomattox. Alex. Outlaw, of this county, had one of them. The balance of the parole list were detailed for light duty men from wounds.

The total number of the original Company whose enlistment bears date of April 16th, 1861, was, officers and men -----		107
Recruits received Feb., 1863 -----		9
Recruits received Nov., 1864 -----		12
Total -----		128
Of this number were killed in battle or died of wounds -----		26
Died of disease -----		15
Total -----		41
Permanently disabled from wounds -----		16

Of the original company, 107 in number, 26 were killed or died of wounds; 14 died from disease, leaving 67 living at the close of the war. Of this 67, 15 were permanently disabled on account of wounds. 16 others were wounded and recovered from their wounds entirely, leaving 36 who passed through the war without receiving any wounds. Of this 36, 19 were men who, on

account of being detailed for other duty, were not exposed to the dangers of battle, leaving only seventeen who passed through the entire war without a scratch. Of the entire company, recruits included, not one was ever punished by the decree of a court martial. None except the two Basknights deserted their colors. As a rule they all did their duty faithfully and uncomplainingly, offering their lives as a sacrifice to their country. So far as known, not a single one of the survivors has ever been prosecuted for any crime. The original company of 107 are now all dead.



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